



Rudolph Serkin

Pianist Rudolph Serkin Gives Concert Monday At 8 In Phi Beta Kappa Hall

Rudolf Serkin, internationally-known pianist, will present a varied concert in Phi Beta Kappa Hall Monday, January 14, at 8:00 p. m. as the third event of the William and Mary Concert Series. The 42 year old musician will appear at the College for the first time in the midst of a nation-wide concert tour.

The two part program which Mr. Serkin will deliver will include two works by Beethoven, "Phantasia", Opus 77, and Sonata in F-sharp major, Opus 78. He will also play Phantasia in C major, Opus 16, by Schubert; three Caprices, Opus 16, by Mendelssohn; Variations on the name "Abegg", Opus 1, Schumann; five preludes by Debussy; and "Bolero", Opus 19, by Chopin.

Gives Varied Program

Bohemian-born Serkin made his public American debut as soloist with the New York Philharmonic-Symphony Orchestra with Arturo Toscanini conducting, in February of 1936. Mr. Serkin had previously appeared before a small invited audience at the Coolidge

Festival in Washington in 1933. Since that time he has appeared widely in the United States and has made a number of Columbia Masterworks recordings.

Played Piano At Four

Mr. Serkin spent his early childhood in Eger, Bohemia, later to become part of Czechoslovakia, his birthplace. At the age of four he played the piano and read music at sight. He was not allowed to appear professionally, however, because his father, a singer himself, did not wish his child to be exploited. He said he did not want a child prodigy. Rudolf must become an artist before he would be allowed a public performance.

Upon the suggestion of the pianist Alfred Gruenfeld, however, "Rudi" was taken to Vienna to study under Richard Robert. Then at twelve, he made his debut with the Vienna Symphony Orchestra. Although the concert was a success and Serkin received many offers to go on tour, his family decided he was still too young. He remained in Vienna for several years studying com-

position under Arnold Schoenberg. **Met Alfred Busch**

From the age of seventeen when he met the violinist Adolf Busch, Serkin's life has been bound up tightly with the life of the older musician. He went to live with the Busch family in Berlin and gave a series of sonata recitals with Mr. Busch. While living in the Busch household, he also met his future wife, three-year old Irene Busch. Serkin reportedly said at the time that he would wait for her. That is just what he did, for he married her in 1935.

Just prior to that time, when Hitler rose to power in Germany, Serkin moved with the Busch family to Switzerland where they became citizens. Then in 1939, the two families moved to the United States. Since that time he has appeared in almost every American city.

Fifty-five Minute Encore

One of the most interesting experiences of Mr. Serkin's life occurred at his Berlin Debut when he played the Bach Brand-

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William M. Tuck Takes Oath As Virginia Governor Monday

"Smiling Bill" Becomes First W-M Alumnus To Hold Gubernatorial Office Since 1842

At the Virginia gubernatorial inauguration in the State Capitol in Richmond, Monday, January 14, William Munford Tuck will be sworn in as governor of Virginia, the first alumnus of the College of William and Mary to hold that position since 1842. "Smiling Bill" Tuck was elected in November to succeed Governor Colgate W. Darden.

Mr. Tuck, long identified with Virginia politics, attended William and Mary from 1913 until 1917 when he received a teacher's diploma and left the College to become principal of the Fairfields High School, Northumberland county. Shortly afterwards, he enlisted in the Marine Corps and served until 1919. He then entered Washington and Lee Law School from which he received the LL.B. degree in 1921.

Mr. Tuck will enter into his gubernatorial duties with 21 years of experience in State government. He began his career in the House of Delegates to which he was first elected at the age of 27 in 1923. He served in that body during the sessions of 1924, 1926, 1928 and 1930 and was elected to the State Senate in 1931, serving in five different sessions until 1940. He was elected Lieutenant Governor of the State in 1941 and in that office presided over the Senate during the 1942 and 1944 sessions.

A supporter of the Byrd reform measure, especially the "pay as you go" road policy and beneficial farm legislation, Mr. Tuck was a member of the Steering and Finance committees of the State Senate.

At William and Mary Mr. Tuck was active in athletics, receiving his letter as a two-miler on the College track team. He is a member of the Baptist Church; the American Legion; Sigma Phi Epsilon, national social fraternity; Phi Delta Phi, international legal fraternity; Masons; and Woodmen of the World.

Charles J. Duke, bursar, will represent the College at the inauguration ceremonies, and Wayne Metcalf, president of the Alumni Association, and Charles P. McCurdy, executive secretary, will represent the Alumni.

Admissions Committee Accepts 63 New Men

Sixty-three men have been accepted by the Committee on Admissions for the spring term, according to the latest available figures from Miss Dorothy Hordford, acting chairman of the Committee. At least 100 new men students are expected, she said.

Applications are coming in rapidly, and J. Wilfred Lambert, dean of students, has declared that as many new students will be admitted as will fill the existing vacancies. No complete tabulation has been made of the dormitory vacancies as yet, and no accurate statement of the number of new men students can be made until this work is done, stated Dean Lambert.

Lack Of Material Delays Recreation Room Plans

Plans for converting the small dining hall into a recreation center during the Christmas holidays have been delayed and will not reach completion until next fall, stated Charles M. Major, college architect. It was planned that this room was to be completed during the Christmas recess, but because of the difficulty in obtaining materials this work has not progressed.

This smaller dining hall has been plastered and painted in two tones of Wythe green. Work will be done on conversion gradually throughout the semester.

At The Last Minute

Tryouts for the Choir, Women's Chorus, and Men's Glee Club will be held in the Music Building at the following times:

January 9, 10, and 14 through 17, 9:00 to 10:00 a. m.; 3:00 to 4:00 p. m.
January 21 through 31, 11:00 to 12:00 a. m.; 3:00 to 4:00 p. m.

YWCA's Clothing Drive begins Thursday, January 10, and will continue until January 31. The clothing, which will be collected by the YWCA dormitory representatives in a room-to-room canvass, will be given to the destitute families in Europe stricken by the war.

The Royalist staff will meet in the Publications office, Thursday, January 10, at 4:00 p. m.

Graduates Hear Douglass Adair

Dr. Douglass G. Adair, assistant professor of history, will address the graduating class of February, 1946. The graduation will take place in the Wren Chapel at 2:00 p. m. on Saturday, February 2.

Fourteen seniors are candidates for graduation; nine will receive degrees of Bachelor of Arts and five will receive Bachelor of Science degrees. The following students will graduate: Martha Lovell Adams, B. S.; Robert Harry Bryant, B. A.; James Turner Christian, B. S.; Alice Elizabeth Dahlberg, B. S.; Frank Greneker Davis, Jr., B. A.; Eugene Gunesh Guran, B. A.; Mary Brooks Harper, B. A.; Mary Eleanor Holden, B. A.; Margaret Jeanne Knowlton, B. A.; Joyce LeCraw, B. A.; Sarah Ann Mills, B. A.; Joyce Lee Nichols, B. S.; Roy C. Sutton, Jr., B. S.; and Charlotte Elizabeth Trabue, B. A.

Robert Land, W-M Graduate, Becomes College Librarian

Scholar Fills Position Of Dr. Earl G. Swem

Having just returned from service in the Navy, young Robert Hunt Land, a William and Mary alumnus, has been appointed associate librarian of the College.

Mr. Land started college at the Norfolk Division in 1930, its first year of operation; he later went to Tyler Junior College in Tyler, Texas, and then entered William and Mary in his junior year. A member of the Dramatics Club, he acted in many plays; he also joined the Wranglers (debate club), Theta Alpha Phi, and Omicron Delta Kappa. As managing editor of The FLAT HAT in his senior year, Mr. Land said the paper felt stricter censorship than it does now, and that he witnessed student sit-down strikes, expulsions of large group of students, and other student-administration disturbances. "I think students are

always sour on the administration and think they're getting a raw deal," he laughed.

Becoming a brother in Kappa Alpha fraternity, Mr. Land lived with the other men in the house on the hill beyond the stadium, in which he had many good times. "I sort of hated to see it sold," he commented.

Mr. Land won the John Stewart Bryan scholarship, and was the only undergraduate to be twice winner of the award of the Society of Cincinnati for a paper on colonial history. He holds an M.A. in the field of colonial history from the University of Virginia. Just prior to entering the service he had been studying there for his Ph.D.; he plans to go back this summer and perhaps next summer to work on his thesis.

Planning to become a journalist, but unable to get a job during the depression years, Mr. Land became Junior Historian at James-

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W-M Misses Having UNO For Neighbor

On account of the "Jim Crow" law, William and Mary just missed the opportunity of having the U. N. O. as its next-door neighbor. After having offered Camp Peary as the site for the permanent United Nations headquarters, Lt. Comdr. Raymond B. Bottom and Ashton Dovell, Virginia delegates, were told "so long as Virginia has a 'Jim Crow' law, it could not be considered".

Bottom, president of the Daily Press, Inc., Newport News, and Dovell of Williamsburg comprised the delegation offering the 10,500-acre site. Arriving in London too late to state their case at the formal hearings, the two men were received informally by the U.N.O. interim committee members on Friday, January 4.

Camp Peary, approximately four miles from William and Mary's campus, presented the U.N.O. with a location government-owned, already set up for occupancy with paved streets, lighting, and other conveniences, and the opportunity to occupy it almost immediately. The site, 40 miles from Richmond, 165 miles from Washington, and 350 miles from New York, was totally different from any offer the organization had received.

Specifically banned in the preamble of the United Nations Organization charter is any discrimination based on race, creed, or color. If, therefore, the restrictive law were removed, the Williamsburg site could be considered. The same is the case for any state below the Mason and Dixon line.

Royalist Asks Students To Try Out This Month

Tryouts for freshman and sophomore staff members of the Royalist will be held from now until January 18. Tryouts will consist of securing two pieces of literary material from students on campus and the criticism of both by the student trying out.

Material and the reasons for its being selected must be in the Royalist box in Marshall-Wythe 116 by January 18.

"All eligible campus men especially are urged to try out for staff positions," stated Elise Leidheiser, editor of the Royalist magazine.

"Grubie" From Lancaster Lives Behind Dutchman's Blue Gate

"Around here I'm known as the Dutchman with the blue gate," laughed the attractive blue-eyed blonde, Managing Editor of The FLAT HAT, Nancy Grube. The origin of this unique name came from the story Nancy tells about her Lancaster, Penna., home. In her home town it is the custom that the Pennsylvania Dutchmen paint their gates blue if they have daughters eligible for courtship. In that way the young men of the town can take inventory on the possibilities of landing a wife by merely glancing down the streets. "Grubie" attended the J. P. McCaskey high school in Lancaster and as a student there she was honored with the award for the highest in extracurricular activities in her class. She rose from the ranks of reporter to News Editor, and finally achieved the ultimate goal as Editor-in-Chief of the school paper. She was the only girl who ever held that position. She also acted in the capacity of Vice President of the Student Government, Captain of the debate squad, and Salutatorian of her graduating class. She was a member of the National Honorary Society and participated in the Senior play.

Joins FLAT HAT

As a freshman at William and Mary, "Grubie" joined The FLAT HAT staff and the Debate Council, worked on the Colonial Echo, and became a member of Pi Beta Phi. As she continued through college she added, year by year, an imposing list of activities to her credit. She rose from Assistant News Editor of The FLAT HAT to News Editor and finally to Managing Editor in her junior and senior years. She became a member of the International Relations Club, Student Activities Committee, Interclub Council, Dance Committee, was elected President

Student Fund Drive Exceeds Set Quota

Contributions to the World Service Drive at William and Mary passed the goal of \$600 on December 19, and \$620 was forwarded to Judith Austin, WSSF representative in New York by the campus coordinating committee. Although the drive officially ended on December 19, approximately \$50 has been collected since then, and the leaders of the drive expect that the \$700 mark will be attained.

"Cooperation among the students of the College made possible this bringing of the World Student Service Fund Drive to a successful close," stated Rita Koppelman, in charge of the drive.

The money collected at William and Mary will go to help meet the \$2,000,000 goal at which worldwide student needs are conservatively estimated. One-half of this amount has been set as the quota for the students and professors of the United States.

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of the Debate Council. As president of her senior class, "Grubie" also serves on the General Co-operative Committee, the Senate, the Assembly, and is an ex-officio member of the Alumni Board of Directors.

Interviews Dill

With the inevitable printer's ink in her blood, Nancy says that she received one of her greatest thrills when she interviewed Sir John Dill, General Marshall, General Arnold, and other dignitaries when they visited here in 1944. She furthered her journalistic interests by working on her hometown newspaper last summer.

Off the record, "Grubie" says that she derives her greatest pleasure from meeting people and making friends, and one of her chief pastimes is laughing. She is also crazy about dancing, music, bridge, shelter parties, and cokes. "She sleeps all day and then gets up all hours of the night and tells us she can't sleep," confided a few of her close friends. "Why, sometimes she even flaps her arms and crows at two in the morning," they whispered.

Keeps Scrapbooks

Her favorite hobby is keeping scrapbooks—"and I have a million of them," said "Grubie".

On the serious side, "Grubie" says that her chief concern now is finding a good job. As a government major, with a minor in law, Nancy wants to get a position with the Government in Foreign Relations. She is the student assistant in the government department and would like a career overseas or at least one with some excitement.

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Under the joint auspices of the departments of business administration and fine arts, a seminar in color technics will be offered at William and Mary during the second semester. It will consist of a series of two-hour sessions during alternate weeks and will carry one semester credit. Registration will be limited to juniors and seniors and to other interested students to whom special permission may be granted.

The seminar will be conducted by H. Ledyard Towle, director of color engineering, Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company, and a member of the Illuminating Engineering Society, the Society of Automotive Engineers, and the Museum of Modern Arts, who has taught courses in advertising and sales administration at William and Mary for the past year.

Nelson Recovers, Resumes Classes

Dr. Lawrence G. Nelson has sufficiently recovered from his injuries to resume his duties as assistant professor of English. He began teaching again Friday, January 4.

Mr. Nelson suffered a brain contusion on Thursday, December 6, in an automobile accident. He was confined at home over the Christmas holiday. Dr. Jess H. Jackson and George W. Knipp met with Dr. Nelson's classes.

In his own words, Mr. Nelson feels "pretty good, almost normal". The marks of his injury have almost disappeared, and he has suffered no after-effects.

W-M, Richmond Plan Next Meeting

William and Mary and University of Richmond representatives will meet in Richmond in February, the tentative date being February 10.

Business for the meeting was discussed at a meeting of the Student Assembly, held last night, January 8, in Phi Beta Kappa Hall. Better relations are to be furthered, not only in sports, but also in social life as well. Fritz Zepht, one of the representatives for William and Mary, said that perhaps the two schools would hold a joint dance. Other representatives are Tommy Smith, Harry Stinson, and Greg Mann.

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Bell II reigns at present because Bell I got a crack. Doc, who has been head bell-ringer since 1888, claims the first one had a better tone because it was brass. "But I couldn't ring it many times on account of the boys took the clapper out." That was back in practically prehistoric days when there were "nothing but boys". Doc used to go up lots of times and find the clapper gone because the boys weren't too keen on that day's lecture. "I got 'em to class though," he added. "I hit it with a hammer!" Then Doc tells the one about the time way back when the Sunken Garden was just a meadow wherein grazed the presi-

dent's cow. One dark night a bunch of boys tied a rope to the cow on one end and the clapper on the other. The result was sporadic and mysterious ringing that night.

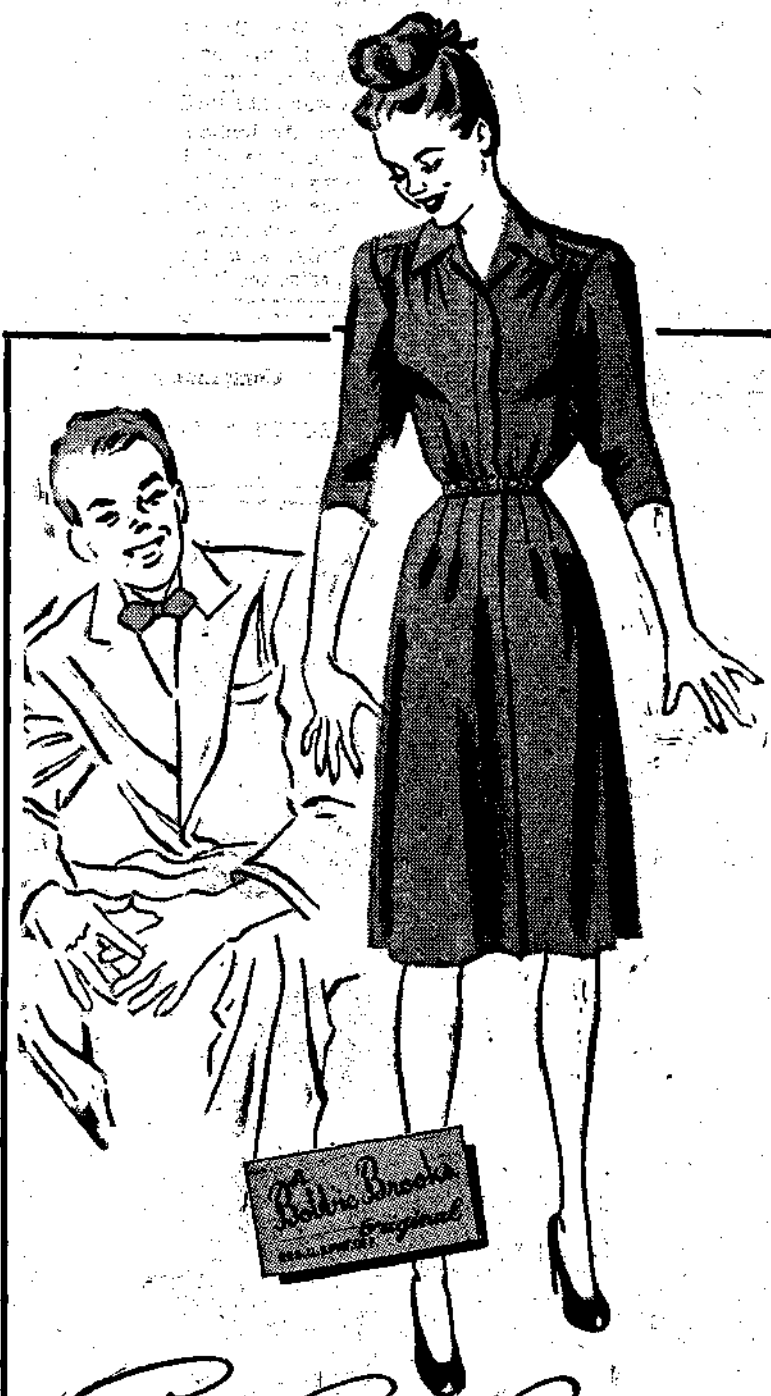
Every New Year Doc pulls the rope for 15 minutes to "ring the old year out and the new year in". He rang it for the Armistice in World War I and for the last one. Without ye belle—and ye dogs—this wouldn't be William and Mary.

Dr. H. R. Phalen Speaks At Meeting Of A.A.U.P.

Dr. H. R. Phalen, associate professor of mathematics, will give a non-technical talk on various number systems at the meeting of the American Association of University Professors on January 11 at 8:00 p. m. in Brafferton Hall.

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Dr. B. T. McCully Wins Praise For Political Study

Professor's Book On Indian Nationalism Shows Effects Of English Education

Dr. Bruce T. McCully was the recipient of high professional praise and honor at the meeting of the American Historical Association held in Washington, D. C., on December 27. His book, "English Education and Origins of Indian Nationalism", was named during the awarding of historical prizes at the banquet as one of the most distinguished recent works by an American scholar on modern India. It was one of the runners-up for a \$500 prize offered in the field for excellence and importance as a scholarly study.

A seminar on Indian thought as the origin of nationalism was the inspiration for Dr. McCully's study of the subject. Unable to find sufficient material at Columbia University, where he was at the time, he went abroad to collect material. After spending three weeks entangled in catalogues at the British Museum of London, it was suggested that he go to the India Office. There Dr. McCully collected data, breaking new ground with the use of virgin material never before used by other students in this field.

Using pamphlets, Indian-English publications, and journals of the East India Company, Dr. McCully worked for about ten months on research. While in southern England, Dr. and Mrs. McCully took week-end jaunts about the country, walking, picnicking and sightseeing around London, Kent, Canterbury, and other points of interest.

Writing the book was not easy, according to Dr. McCully, who

soon found that it was not just an abstraction of education and nationalism, but that the key was in the class, the English-educated class of India. In 1830, the English started schools in India, and by 1870 there were about 50,000 to 70,000 English-speaking Indians. These Indians formed but a microscopic part of the entire population but gradually they grew in power; they were the intelligentsia of India and agitated for a part in the government. Their ideas were liberal, gleaned from books on English and American governments, and for a while they were regarded as "disturbing freethinkers." It is from this class that the origins of modern Indian nationalism sprang, which developed into the present government.

Dr. McCully started the first draft of his book in 1937 and worked at it in his spare time until it was published in 1940.

Carl Bridenbaugh, director of the Institute of Early American History and Culture, attended the banquet of the American Historical Association and informed Dr. McCully, who did not attend, of the praise the latter received.

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Joan Stout: To grow two inches; and not sideways!

Frank Stevens: What's the use? I always break them anyhow.

Tuga Wilson: To be able to have my cake and eat it too.

Jean Canoles and Bobbie Daughtrey: To make our beds every single morning.

Wally Harrison: I was such a good boy in 1945 that I didn't have to make any 1946 resolutions.

Helen Hopkins: To acquire a new nickname.

Art Gray: I resolved to stop calling Sally Lou in the early hours of morning.

Charles Saggus: To try and get rid of my pre-Christmas flu, and my post New Year's hang-over.

Anne Deal: To go to Richmond less and to Charlottesville more.

Bob Jacobs: To play Parlor Rug-by once a week, providing I get cooperation.

Stan Vautrain: I'm going to study, believe it or not.

Lou Jones: Dean's list, or die in the attempt.

Bob Piefke: To be a better man.

John Daley: To reduce my list of women to sixteen.

Dottie Baisell: To stay on Daley's list!

College Representatives To Visit Six Universities

Under the auspices of the General Education Board, Dr. John E. Pomfret, president of the College, Dr. Warner W. Moss, head of the department of government, and J. Gordon Bohannon, chairman of the Board of Visitors, will make a ten-day trip beginning January 15 to visit six universities in an effort to study interuniversity cooperation.

With representatives of five other Virginia colleges, the Medical College of Virginia, Hampden-Sydney, Randolph Macon, the University of Virginia and Union Theological Seminary, they will visit Cornell, the University of Toronto, Vanderbilt University, Georgia Tech, Emory University, and Agnes Scott College.

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WSCG Plans May Festival

A revival of the traditional May Day celebration, perhaps in Players' Dell, was discussed at the first 1946 meeting of the Women Students' Cooperative Government Association Monday night. The program will be undertaken by the women's student body if a majority vote supports it at the next meeting.

Because one of the representatives at large to the Executive Council will graduate in February, it was voted that the freshman representative to the Council will serve in this position until the elections are held in March.

Students Make Unique Plans To Budget Valuable Minutes

Roommates, Lipstick Help Poor Memories

Exams are on the way, and with them the perennial question, "How will I get it all done?" and answer, "Budget your time!" So William and Mary's students are in the throes of covering innumerable scraps of paper with infinitesimal allotments of time to unending lists of activities and hours of study.

There are various types of schedule-makers, matching the various types of schedules. Most admirable of the species is the "Every-minute-accounted-for" budgeter, usually either a B.M. O.C. or a potential Phi Beta. His schedule, which consumes two or three hours a day in the making, reads about as follows.

6:05 Rise, brush teeth, dress, comb hair, make bed.
6:07 Study
7:45 Breakfast
7:53 Cigarette
8:00 Classes
10:00 Study
11:00 Class
12:01 Lunch
12:13 Cigarette
12:20 Study

and so on, with the afternoon filled with study or meetings, depending on the tendencies of the budgeter.

At the other extreme is the "Don't forget" system, which entails posting scraps of paper all over the room to the effect that "French Club meets Tuesday at 8" and "Must study for Lit. exam". This system has obvious defects, chief among them the tendency of

the little slips of paper to get buried under piles of dirty laundry and term papers. Many the sad sack who has come to grief on finding on March 3 a note to self reading "Sally's birth February 28".

In between are many methods, including the businesslike "Daily Calendar" system, in which the notes are jotted down accurately for months ahead. The only trouble here is that too often the student turns over the page on Monday morning after a gala Sunday night and finds in faint lettering, "Test in Calculus, 8:00 a. m. It's too late then."

Worthy of note, too, is the "Notebook", recognizable by a small spiral notebook which has grown into the palm of his hand from constant use. His would seem to be the most efficient method, since he marks down his obligations the very minute he learns of them, thus obviating the ever-present difficulty in the other systems of forgetting that meeting in the two-hour detour from class to dorm by way of Rexall's; but even here there is a fly in the ointment. An entry by a note-booker may read "Przxwytyng at 8 Weutqpay". This, of course, means "Physics Club meeting at 8 Wednesday", but it was written while the writer was en route from Rogers to Wren, two minutes late to class, and who can translate it three days later?

Other varieties include the feminine "Lipstick on mirror" system, used for very important things, and seldom including study schedules; and the "Don't forget to remind me" method, in which the roommate takes the place of a sheet of paper.

But who keeps the darn schedules anyway?

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Student Assembly Votes To Accept Point System

Proposed Plan Of Activity Evaluations Fixes Seventeen As Maximum Limit

The Inter-Club Council Point System, already passed by the Student Assembly, will be voted on at the next meeting of the General Cooperative Committee. If passed by the Committee, the system will automatically become part of the Student Body Constitution, and will go into effect next semester. It will not affect seniors this year, nor freshmen at any time.

The Inter-Club Council will act on suggestions made by the General Cooperative Committee. In the proposed plan, the limit is 17 points for one year. Point evaluations, as they stand at the present, are as follows:

Ten Points: president of the Student Body; president of the Women Students' Cooperative Government Association.

Eight Points: president of the Men's Honor Council; chairman of WSCGA Honor Committee; chairman of WSCGA Judicial Committee; FLAT HAT editor, business manager, managing editor; Colonial Echo editor, associate editor, business manager; **Royalist** presidents of the sororities.

Points: presidents of classes; president and secretary of s Honor Council; secretary of CGA Honor Committee; secretary of WSCGA Judicial Committee; vice president, secretary, treasurer of WSCGA Executive Council; president of Pan-Hellenic Council.

Five Points: members Student Assembly (does not include presidents of classes, president and vice president of Men's Honor Council, chairmen of WSCGA Councils); ice president, secretary-treasurer, historian of classes; presidents of interest groups; presidents of religious groups; president of Student Religious Union; president of Mortar Board; president of Omicron Delta Kappa; junior editors of FLAT HAT and Colonial Echo;

chairman of Men's Inter-Dormitory Council; first six sorority officers after president.

Three Points: President's Aides; president and officers of honorary societies (does not include Mortar Board and Omicron Delta Kappa); officers other than president of interest groups and religious groups; cabinets of Red Cross and YWCA; head ushers (men and women); members Men's Inter-Dormitory Council.

Two Points: members (non-officers) of staffs of FLAT HAT, Colonial Echo, **Royalist**; cheerleaders; proctors; sorority house presidents; officers of Women's Athletic Association; Red Cross committee members; YWCA hall representatives; members (non-officers) of Band, Choir, Chorus, Debate Club, Orchestra, Men's Glee Club; ushers.

One Point: marshalls of Senior Class; officers other than president of large dormitories; members of Mortarboard and Omicron Delta Kappa; members (non-officers) of honorary societies, interest groups; religious groups, Red Cross, YWCA, German Club, sororities (does not include officers already mentioned).

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His Lordship wishes everyone a belated Happy New Year. It seems there is little doubt but what it will be the best in the last few generations. First resolution on the docket for his Excellency is to procure very dark glasses to take the place of the rosy ones. The glare from newest jewelry is getting the old boy down. Understand though, he loves it. Second resolution: more parties and Cupid lurking in every shadow.

Wages of Love — Chewels! A little altered from the original by Bill Shakespeare but nevertheless true at William and Mary. There has been a decided tendency toward lefthandness since the beginning of vacation. Rings have attached strings to Becky Bechtol and Bill Britton, Lucy Jones and Bill Murphy, Mary Devol and Red Wood, Ginna Lewis and former Lieutenant Bill, Carol Parker, Betty Marie Ellett, Joan Kennington, Merle Duke, Daphne Andrews, Elise Leidheiser, and Marilyn Wood. To add color to the diamonds, Marilyn Woodbury and Elaine Passow are wearing miniatures from the Point.

Starting the New Year Right— Charlotte Fletcher and Marge Oak dating Chaplains... a beeg Champagne party at Rexall's too

with some held over campus twosomes in attendance... Bonnie Renninger progressing with the domestic touch ironing her date's travel-wrinkled jacket Saturday... Dr. and Mrs. Guy having a gay time in New York during vacation... Jeanne Lamb with paratrooper Don and wings on hand.

And the Bell Tolls For: Betty Rose Marvin and husband George Bartholemew who will take an apartment in Billsburg for the rest of the year... Ginny Townes whose Dick is finally home, some time this month... Betty Seibert in Baltimore.

Botty Wants to Know: If Shuz Sprague's Renny had his Phi Delt pin made up specially to match her arrow? They look mighty nice together... What Denny has, that George didn't have? A question left up to Janie Achenbach... How the rumor got started about Carol Talbot being engaged? There's always some foundation for even exaggerated rumor... If there's anyone who's missed the Hubba Hubba club?

That's about all Norborne Berkeley has to say now but he'll dig up some of the more elusive vacation stories for next week.

Best wishes to the engaged, better luck to the others. **Botty.**

Church Calls State Meeting

Methodist representatives from all over Virginia will meet in Williamsburg for a conference starting at 4:00 p. m. on Saturday, January 12, and lasting until Sunday at noon. The Wesley Foundation will act as host to the conference.

The theme of the conference is the **Theme of Urbana: Christianity Facing the Crisis of Our Age.** The Rev. Dr. Fred C. Williams, minister of the Methodist Church in Charlottesville, is to speak on this subject.

Rabbi Bernard Zeiger of Roanoke will discuss **The Christian Potential as a Rabbi Sees It.** Professor George Tarry of Randolph-Macon College and the RMC delegation will conduct a panel discussion on **Echoes of Urbana.**

There will be a recreational program at the church, with the Wesley Foundation as host, providing games and songs.

Early communion will be held at Wren Chapel at 8:00 p. m. on Sunday, January 13. The Rev. Benjamin B. Bland, minister of the Williamsburg Methodist church, will deliver the sermon on Sunday morning.

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Tribe Bows To Pickett In First Loss of Season

Soldier Quintet, Gaining Revenge, Takes Contest By 66-50 Count

After playing Camp Pickett on almost even terms during the first half, William and Mary's Indians came apart at the seams after intermission and absorbed a 66-50 defeat for their first loss of the year in a contest which took place in Blow Gym on December 18.

In winning the Soldiers gained revenge for a 43-41 setback handed them by the Tribe in an earlier encounter played at the beginning of the season.

The first half was a nip-and-tuck affair with the lead changing hands several times. There were few substitutions and play moved rapidly. The visitors rallied in the last minutes and held a 25-22 margin when they left the floor.

When play was resumed the Pickett quint went to work with a rush and piled up a ten-point advantage. Led by their star guard, Sellers, who amassed a total of 25 points, they penetrated the Indians' defense without difficulty and kept adding to their lead until the final buzzer sounded.

The Redmen were paced by Chet Mackiewicz and Stan Magdziak, who collected 14 and 11 points, respectively. Runners-up for the visitors were "Moon" Mullens, with 11, and Layden, with 10.

Coach Frosty Holt's charges were greatly hampered by inexperience and much more practice will be needed for the tough competition which they have to face during the remainder of the season. One primary cause of their defeat was a seeming inability to work the ball in to the basket and a majority of the shots were made from too far out to be effective.

Pickett helped its cause by sinking 16 of 24 foul shots while the Braves collected on only 12 of their 23 chances. Magdziak, with 5 for 7 and Garfield Salyers, with

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O. D., Tyler B Lead 'Murals

Old Dominion first floor and Tyler B are leading the intramural basketball teams with two wins each and no losses as of last Saturday. On December 11 O. D. first floor trounced Tyler A by a 29-18 score. The following day saw O. D.'s second floor team come out on the short end of 26-23 score with Tyler B. The third floor squad of O. D. led by high scorers Fred Holloway and Bob Galloway, won over Taliaferro A&C 30-23 on December 14. Tyler B defeated the Annex by a 29-12 count on the next day. Tom Karczowski and Bill Denault sank most of the baskets for Tyler B while James Dunn starred for the Annex. The games slated for December 18 were postponed at the request of all the managers concerned. Those games will be played at a future date.

Intramural head Kenneth Rawlinson has disclosed that during the second semester there will be competition in ping pong, track and field, handball, horseshoes, swimming, softball, and tennis.

This week's intramural basketball schedule is as follows.

Date	Teams Playing
Jan. 10	O. D. 3 vs Tyler B
Jan. 11	O. D. 2 vs Ayler A
Jan. 11	O. D. 1 vs Tyler Annex
Jan. 12	O. D. 2 vs Taliaferro A&C
Jan. 12	O. D. 1 vs Tyler B
Jan. 15	Tyler Annex vs Tyler A
Jan. 15	O. D. 1 vs O. D. 3

The intramural standings:

Team	Won	Lost
O. D. 1st	2	0
Tyler B	2	0
O. D. 3rd	1	0
Tyler A	0	1
O. D. 2nd	0	1
Annex	0	1
Taliaferro A&C	0	2

King's Point, Fordham Furnish Next Competition For Redmen

Indians Engage Wake Forest In Second Conference Clash

With the basketball season well under way, Coach Frosty Holt's squad is preparing for its busiest week of the year thus far. First comes a journey to New York where the Tribe engages King's Point and Fordham on Friday and Saturday, respectively, and then returns to Blow Gym to tangle with Wake Forest on Tuesday.

Tribe Resumes Diamond Play

With the coming of the first peaceful Spring in five years William and Mary will resume baseball, giving the students three spring sports again.

After four years of war, which caused the lack of material and transportation that forced the various activities to be suspended, all three sports will go into full swing. It will be the first time since 1943 that the athletic department has been busy with three complete schedules at the same time.

Baseball, which has been dormant since the Spring of '43, will again get into full operation. As yet, however, nothing definite is known about the schedules and material.

The Big Green cindermen, undefeated last year, will have a larger schedule. The trackmen trampled Gallaudet in their first meet, the final score being William and Mary, 96½, Gallaudet, 34½. Later on in the season the boys from Gallaudet came back for a return meet, and this time the Indians rapped them 95-36.

The Tri-Color netmen had a good season, gaining 12 victories in 14 starts. The tennis team, coached by Dr. Sharvy G. Umbeck, met such teams as Army, Navy, and North Carolina Pre-Flight. All of these were among the stronger teams of the country.

The Redmen met Army in their first match, bowing to the West Pointers, 6-3. After defeating N. Y. U., 9-0, the netters were topped by the Middies from Annapolis. Then the Tri-Color squad went on to overcome good teams from North Carolina University and Duke. The Tarheels lost their first home contest in 247 matches to the men from Williamsburg. Highlight of the season was a 6-3 win over the star-studded aggregation of N. C. Pre-Flight.

The Indians have chalked up a pair of wins against one setback in their previous games, not including last night's contest with George Washington which took place after The FLAT HAT went to press.

In their opening tilt with Camp Pickett's quintet the Redmen were forced into overtime before being able to eke out a 43-41 decision. Next came the 77-23 rout of an impotent Richmond Air Base team. Following this was a return match with Pickett which went to the Soldiers by a 66-50 margin.

Not much information is available on Fordham and King's Point and the lack of publicity would seem to indicate that neither has an especially outstanding five. The Rams of last season were only victorious in 4 out of 18 starts and should not have improved too much. The Merchant Mariners, with more experienced men to call upon, could prove to be tougher.

Another unknown quantity is Wake Forest. Last year's squad made a very poor showing, winning 3 tilts while dropping 15. The Deacons will not rank too highly in the Southern Conference and are certainly not in the same class with Duke's Blue Devils or the powerful White Phantoms of North Carolina. This will be the second of ten conference tests for the Tri-Color.

Coach Holt has been sending his men through rigorous practice sessions during the past week which are designed to smooth off the rough edges of both offense and defense.

The Wake Forest game will be the last home contest before exams, meetings with Little Creek and the University of Richmond on January 17 and 19, respectively, being slated to take place on the opponents' courts.

Introduction To Swimming Pool At Three Starts Francie Brigham On Aquatic Career

W-M Star Enjoys All Water Sports

Starting her swimming career with a splash, Francie Brigham, William and Mary star, gained her introduction to the aquatic sport at the age of three when she and her sisters and brothers were thrown into a swimming pool. Since then Francie has become a champion diver and is also proficient in the backstroke and free style.

Born in Evanston, Ill., in 1927, Francie inherited her aquatic ability from the "Fish" side of the family (her mother's maiden name). She was enrolled in a children's swimming class at Northwestern University under coach Tom Robinson. This course furnished the ground work for her future successes.

Summer camps in Pocahontas, Va. and Minnesota were the scenes of Francie's efforts for a number of years. During this time she competed in the West Virginia meet at Hot Springs and took first place in the diving contest as well as winning the 50-yard backstroke. Later at the University of Illinois High School she served as swimming manager and swam in the Junior Terrapin, a type of formation swimming. As a var-



Francie Brigham

sity team member she gave swimming performances at various places.

During the past summer Francie spent the vacation at Shelter Island, Me., where she practiced water ballet with several other college girls. She admittedly prefers swimming to any other sport because "it's the only really cool sport."



Jackie Freer

Francie and Jackie Freer show promise of being the mainstays of the William and Mary varsity swimming team which will compete in several important meets this spring including the national telegraphic event. Both led their respective teams to victories in the intramurals and also copped top honors in the recent meet with the Norfolk division William Mary.

Letter To The Sports Editor

It is a proven fact that any athletic team does best on their home grounds. The support of the home fans alone is a big factor in the ability to win.

Among the many headaches of the athletic department are the attendance records of their home games. In the past football season, the final figures showed a two-thirds increase over the season before. At the King's Point game, there were twice as many people in the stands as were there for the Catawba game, which was the only other home game of the year. And with twice as many students to see the Merchant Marine game, one could not find a more spirited—or more effective—Indian team.

There probably never will be a school with as much school spirit as little Elon College in North Carolina. Last year, their all-freshmen quintet managed to win only three conference games in their entire schedule. Yet the gym was always packed, win or

lose, with an entire screaming student body and townsfolk, who were all armed with cow bells, horns, and what not. Elon, which was smothered at the tail end of the standings of the North State Conference, drew from 300 to 500 in their home games—or from three to five times as much as William and Mary has in their home games to date.

This year, William and Mary has a scrappy, young team that is certainly well worth watching. A school the size of William and Mary could give its team a large support, and it is conceivable that this backing could mean notches upward in the conference standing for the Indians.

Cowbells, an organized student cheering section, and a little team support will not permanently mar the serenity of Blow Gymnasium.

A team can not be expected to do so well without large and spirited home attendances.

H. Reid

SKIRTS

IN

SPORTS

By EL WEBER

Basketball

Basketball is the next sport to take the limelight for women with plans for both varsity and intramural play being made. The varsity players have been practicing three times a week, however, the first team has not yet been selected. Sue Lamb is the only player missing from last year's first team. Training rules have been set up and the large gym in Blow is being used for one practice a week.

Intramural basketball games have been scheduled to be played between February 8 and March 9. There will be two leagues as in previous years, the A League consisting of Chi Omega, Tri Delta, Alpha Chi, Theta and Kappa Delta; and the B League of Kappa Kappa Gamma, Gamma Phi Beta, Phi Mu, and Pi Phi.

Practice began Monday, January 7. Three specific times for practice have been assigned to each group and other hours have been designated for which teams may sign up. Five practices are required for individual eligibility in games. Regular basketball classes count toward practices but players should attend group practices for team work. Practices should consist of two full teams and an experienced helper, student or faculty. A member of the faculty will act as sponsor for each group and will be present for practices whenever possible. Practices will be scheduled after exams between February 4 and 9. The gym in Jefferson may be used at specified hours during exam period.

Each team should have a maximum number of participants, nine, before another team is formed. A basketball captain should be chosen by each team and the name given to Nonnie Fehse. The last team formed may have an unlimited number of players. Pledges who have made their grades to be initiated may play on the sorority team.

There will be an intramural managers meeting this evening. Jackie Armour and Nonnie Fehse will meet all girls interested in scoring and timing for basketball games.

Swedish "Pen Friends"

Ask American Letters

My Friends Abroad, a Swedish organization for the promotion of international correspondence, has requested that American students interested in writing to Swedes apply for a "pen-friend".

The members of My Friends Abroad, numbering about 1,000 are young Swedes, aged 15 to 25 years, who would like to write to Americans. Those wishing Swedish pen-friends have been asked by K. G. Knutsson, secretary of the organization, to send their name, address, age, and interests to My Friend Abroad, 27 B Lastmakaregatan, Stockholm, Sweden.

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Monday Concert

Features Serkin

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denburg Concerto No. 5 in D major with a chamber orchestra headed by Adolf Busch. The applause was so great at the conclusion that the young pianist became flustered and played for an encore the Boldberg Variations of Bach which lasted 55 minutes.

Masterworks Recordings

Among the recordings which Mr. Serkin has made is Beethoven's "Emperor Concerto" with the New York Philharmonic-Symphony Orchestra under the baton of Bruno Walter. He and Busch also have recorded Beethoven's "Kreutzer" sonata and the Busch Chamber Players have made a record of Bach's Brandenburg Concertos. One of the most recently released of his recordings is that of Beethoven's popular "Moonlight" sonata.

Tri-Color Loses

To Pickett Quint

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3 for 3, led the home forces.

Another factor which hurt the Tri-Color five was not getting enough rebounds from the backboards. This resulted in numerous points being scored by the victors.

The lineups:				
William & Mary	G	F	T	
Blanc, f	2	0	4	
Bunting, f	1	0	2	
Clark, f	1	1	3	
Sudkamp, c	4	1	9	
Vaughan, c	0	0	0	
Salyers, g	2	3	7	
Magdziak, g	3	5	11	
Mackiewicz, g	6	2	14	
Pegram, g	0	0	0	
Totals	19	12	50	
Camp Pickett	G	F	T	
Keibler, f	3	3	9	
Schrader, f	0	0	0	
Layden, f	4	2	10	
Mullens, c	5	1	11	
Lash, g	0	3	3	
Sellers, g	10	5	25	
Gurney, g	3	2	8	
Totals	25	16	66	

Sports Spiel

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team continues to develop in the next two years as it has in the past two, don't you think it will be as great as that of '42? We can only wait and see, but I believe a fair guess would be "yes". Remember, patience is golden and just a little might help. So it is written.

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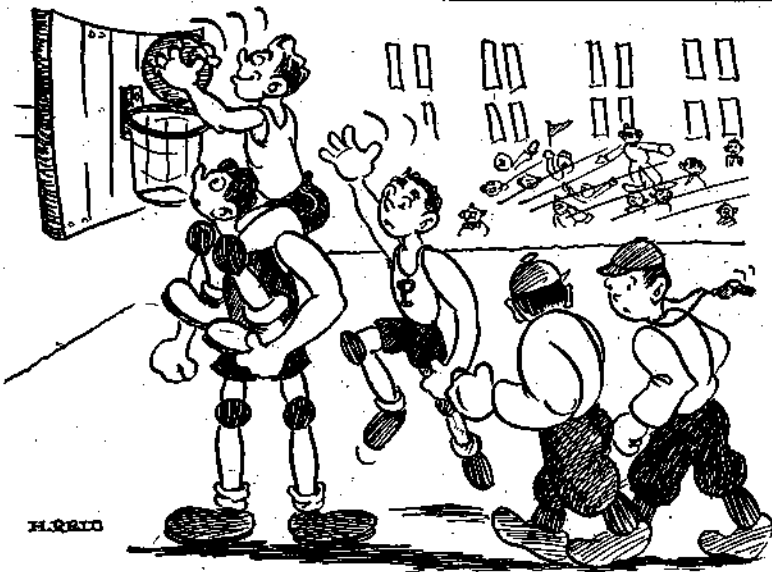
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Vacation Veterans Return

To College To Recuperate

Gay Holidays Marked

By Fabulous Parties

The students of William and Mary are back again with the same bleary-eyed look they left with. It seems all college veterans were going to bed immediately upon arrival home—purpose: to recuperate from college. It now seems that all college veterans have returned resolved to recuperate from vacation.

This vacation was one of the best. All the boys that had been gone for years were home, and it was the first Christmas at peace. However, a few students had a little trouble getting home. One gal jogged home in the baggage car with icicles soothingly hanging down. Everytime the door was opened, drifts of snow tumbled in. Then there was one chivalrous sailor who gave a coed his seat for a six-hour ride. On to a certain Richmond-Washington train got a certain Chandlerite. In an all sailor atmosphere (no civilians present!) she rode home. P. S. She had a wonderful time.

Once all students had reached home, with William and Mary spread across the country, the fun began. Fabulous parties, luncheons and teas, and dates (!) gave them hardly time to meet the family. Not having any bare foot balls scheduled, one student had to take time off to buy some shoes. She had forgotten all but the ones she was wearing. One girl decided to be practical about the weather. Arriving in blue jeans, scarf, and boots, she was met by her date for that night. For a Christmas present a male acquaintance took a freshman for an airplane ride. While they were zooming around up above, he suddenly let go the controls and told her to take over. She did, but not for long.

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President John E. Pomfret has received a letter of thanks from John Bendt, Ship's Carpenter of the S. S. William and Mary Victory. The letter was written on behalf of the ship's crew, thanking the College for the Christmas boxes that were sent to them.

The Red Cross Camp and Hospital Committee under the direction of Dot Ferenbaugh and Jerry Willyard collected 91 Christmas boxes, which were sent to the ship docked in New York on December 1. The S. S. William and Mary sailed December 5, and did not return until after Christmas.

The letter reads as follows: Dear Sir:

I have been delegated by the men aboard the S. S. William and Mary Victory the pleasure of writing you this note of thanks. We of the crew were more than pleasantly surprised to find that the College had provided us with Christmas gifts, packages that were extremely useful and put to immediate use by each of us.

Those of us aboard the S. S. William and Mary Victory know her to be a fine ship and to bear a name of which we can be proud. We will endeavor to carry her name and fame across the seas, to the troops she brings home to the States, and to her foreign ports of call.

We wish you, the faculty, and the entire student body the best of the Season's Greetings; we thank you again for having made our Christmas a merrier one.

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VFW Debates Vets' Housing

At the biweekly meeting of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Monday night, the Post discussed the question of housing for returned veterans and their wives.

A committee was appointed to approach President John E. Pomfret of the College concerning the Veteran Housing Program. This program has been initiated in several other colleges in Virginia, but the committee was instructed that apparently very little has been done about it at William and Mary.

New members who received their obligations were Maxwell Earl Pierce, James C. Anglum, Gordon William Lean, and David Pulley.

A name for the Post was discussed, and it will be announced after those next of kin of the men it will be named for are notified.

W. Hooker Harbour, commander of the Post, was welcomed back after an illness.

Thomas Thorne Presents 12 Sketches To College

Twelve drawings given to the College by Thomas E. Thorne, acting head of the fine arts department, are exhibited in the west living room of Barrett Hall. These sketches of the College buildings, the campus, and Lake Matoaka, are Mr. Thorne's original drawings for his view book.

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Wednesday, January 9
William and Mary Choir—Music Building, 4:30 p. m.
YWCA Cabinet Meeting—Monroe 214, 4:45 p. m.
Vespers—Chapel, 7:00 p. m.
Psychology Club—Dodge Room, 7:30-10:00 p. m.
FLAT HAT Editors' Meeting—Publications Office, 7:30 p. m.
FLAT HAT Staff Meeting—Marshall-Wythe 302, 8:00 p. m.
Women's Intramurals—Barrett, 7:30 p. m.
French Club—Brown, 7:45 p. m.
United Bible Study—Chandler, 8:30 p. m.

Thursday, January 10
Royalist—Publications Office, 4:00 p. m.
Student Religious Union—Brown, 4:00 p. m.
William and Mary Chorus—Music Building, 4:30 p. m.
Debate Council—Apollo Room, 5:00 p. m.
Chi Delta Phi—Chandler, 7:00 p. m.
International Relations Club—Barrett, 7:30 p. m.
Baptist Student Union Study Group—Baptist Church, 7:30 p. m.
Accounting Club—Marshall-Wythe 303, 8:00 p. m.
Steuben Verein—Dodge Room, 8:00 p. m.

Friday, January 11
William and Mary Choir—Music Building, 4:00 p. m.
Mortar Board—Monroe 214, 5:00 p. m.
Balfour Club Service—Chapel, 7:00 p. m.
Music Club—Dodge Room, 7:30 p. m.
Wesley Foundation Barn Dance—Methodist Church, 7:30-10:00 p. m.

Saturday, January 12
Sophomore Class and YWCA War Council Dance—Blow Gym, 9-12 p. m.

Sunday, January 13
Canterbury Club—Host to Student

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Religious Union—Parish House, 6:00 p. m.
Westminster Fellowship—Presbyterian Church, 6:00 p. m.
Wesley Foundation—Methodist Church, 6:45 p. m.
Baptist Student Union—Baptist Church, 6:45 p. m.

Monday, January 14
Kappa Omicron Phi—Washington 303, 3:45 p. m.
William and Mary Choir—Music Building, 4:30 p. m.
Judicial Committee—Wren 100, 7:00 p. m.
Pan Hellenic—Wren 104, 7:00 p. m.
Rudolph Serkin, Pianist—Phi Beta Kappa, 8:00 p. m.
Interfraternity Council—Apollo Room, 8:00 p. m.
Kappa Tau—Wren 200, 10:00 p. m.
Phi Delta Pi—Marshall-Wythe 309, 10:00 p. m.

Tuesday, January 15
William and Mary Chorus—Music Building, 4:30 p. m.
YWCA Meeting—Washington 200, 7:00 p. m.
Recreational Swim for Women—Blow Gym, 7:30-9:30 p. m.
Spanish Club—Barrett, 8:00 p. m.

R. H. Land Begins As New Librarian

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town in 1936, and the next year he returned to William and Mary to do research on a proposed history of the College. At that time he also held the post of instructor in history and assisted Dr. E. G. Swem in the editing of the William and Mary Quarterly. At Dr. Swem's suggestion he went to Columbia University and got a B.S. in Library Science. Mr. Land was elected an honorary member of Alpha of Virginia Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa in 1944.

AAUW Program Uses Latin American Theme

Latin American Literature was the program for the American Association of University women which met January 8 at 8:00 p. m. in the parish house of Bruton church.
The program followed the theme for the year, Latin America. Mrs. Douglass Adair was program chairman, assisted by the following hostesses: Mrs. Marvin Bass, Miss Grace Blank, Mrs. Walter Chisholm, Mrs. George Von Dubell and Mrs. Theodore Cox.

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Mrs. Clifton English Spends Holiday In Mexico

By DOT FERENBAUGH

Christmas in Mexico was enjoyed this year by Mrs. Clifton English, housemother of Brown Hall. After leaving William and Mary, Mrs. English spent the two extra days in Suffolk, and then journeyed to Washington, D. C., where she took a plane for the Mexican border. Grounded at Houston, Texas, she traveled to Brownsville by train, where she was able to get a seat on the Pan American to Mexico City. Here she was met by American friends with whom she spent the Christmas holidays.
One of the most interesting and vital spots of Mexico Mrs. English visited was Taxco (pronounced Tasco), the art center of Mexico, located 100 miles west of Mexico City. This drive to Taxco from Mexico City was very mountainous and had a great many hairpin turns, but also along this road were many hillside churches. Among this group were included The Sleeping Lady and Popocatepetl.

While in Taxco, Mrs. English stayed at the Victoria Hotel which overlooked the site of an old massive Cathedral of Mexico. After the late evening meal accompanied by Mexican music on the terrace and fireworks in the village a Christmas pageant was presented. Preceded by a small Mexican boy dressed in white and holding up a star, Mary appeared riding on a burro followed by Joseph. Many of the servants who had been singing Christmas carols in Spanish joined the procession each holding a lighted candle. The "ninth" door was opened to Joseph and Mary, where the three wise men

Charles McCurdy Returns To Alumni

Charles P. McCurdy, executive secretary of the William and Mary Alumni Association, has returned to the campus following a three-year leave of absence from the College. During this period, Mr. McCurdy was a lieutenant commander in the Naval Reserve and served as commanding officer of the Navy V-12 unit at Gustavus Adolphus College, in St. Peter, Minn. There he headed the V-12 program which included 200 Marines and 200 seamen.

Miss Alyse Tyler, who has been acting secretary of the Association in Mr. McCurdy's absence, will return to her former duties as assistant to the executive secretary.

Woodbridge To Speak To French Club Members

Hensley Woodbridge will address the members of the French Club at a meeting tonight. The program will be held in Brown Hall at 7:30.

President of the club is Gloria Iden, and Dr. Pierre Macy serves as faculty advisor.

found the Infant Jesus in the manger. The hotel guests followed for a glimpse of the solemn scene.

Mrs. English also attended a midnight mass in Taxco Cathedral on Christmas Eve, and was impressed by the large, slow processions of people, sleeping children and the beauty of the old cathedral.

The floating islands of Mexico, Xochimilco (pronounced Sochimilko) made a great impression on Mrs. English. In the early days, small boats were covered with dirt and flowers were grown upon them. Today the boats have sunk, but the flowers and the shrubs continue to grow profusely upon the "floating islands". A complete tour was made of these islands in small shallow boats propelled by poling. Many Mexican families take their Sunday outings on these small craft. Flowers, music, and drinks are sold from these boats. All kinds of merchandise can be bought from these floating stores.

Among the highly colorful and unusual gifts brought back by Mrs. English are lizard belts, silver work, hand bags, a leather riding crop, hand made blouses and short jackets, all in the fine or colorful Mexican style.

Program Features Music Selections

Selections from Stravinsky, Shostakovich, and Tchaikovsky will make up the program of the Music Club meeting, Friday, January 11. This program will be given in the Dodge Room of Phi Beta Kappa Hall at 7:30 p. m.

Gloria McCawley, president of the club stated that all members should attend, as the new Inter-Club Council ruling will be discussed.

College Musicians Enter Song Writing Contest

Competition is now open for song writers, according to a bulletin sent out by the University Glee Club of New York City. The club is sponsoring a contest for a college song to be written in four parts for a chorus; both words and music are to be included. Winner of the contest will receive \$100. The deadline for entries is February 10.

The University Glee Club is in its fifty-second year, and has members from 113 American and foreign colleges and universities.

Further information about the contest may be obtained from the bulletin board in the library of the Music Building, where a notice is posted.

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College To Provide Housing For Veterans

That there is a growing need for some kind of housing for returning veterans becomes more evident every day. The increase in the number of men being discharged from the service has, in turn, made college enrollments larger. Many of those who wish to take advantage of the GI Bill of Rights are married. These men will not be able to return unless some provision is made for housing facilities. This problem can only be solved by individual colleges.

At William and Mary plans are progressing to meet the situation by the time the fall semester begins. The tentative plan, awaiting government action, is for the college to take over the housing unit on Richmond road. Single rooms and two or three room apartments will be available for married couples with or without children. As there are no kitchen facilities in these rooms, the College will operate the dining room. Recreational facilities will also be available for the wives and children. The former Theta Delta Chi house and another large house on Richmond road have been obtained and will also be turned over to veterans' families. Approximately 75 families will be accommodated in these places.

Expenses will be held to a minimum and rates will be similar to college dormitory and boarding rates. This minimum will be assured because the college will make no profit and the accounts will be audited quarterly by government agencies.

The College plans to do everything it can to hold costs down, so that it will be possible for a number of veterans to take advantage of the facilities and return to school.

J. L. R.



William and Mary Go-Round

By FRED FRECHETTE

Every once in a while someone writes to me about something or other I have written in one of my unguarded moments. Usually, the comments I receive are oral, since the circulation of the Flat Hat is mainly confined to the campus. But, once in a while, one of our subscribers or readers has something to say in regard to what has appeared in this column.

Sometimes what the writer has to say is not in the least flattering, but I consider any kind of comment a great compliment since it shows that someone, at least, has taken the trouble to read what I have written. I don't always have much to say, in fact, in the great majority of the cases, it amazes me the way I can put together a five or six-hundred word column and say so little. However, I have a letter which an alumnus wrote regarding a statement I made in the issue of December 12. Whether or not I was actually saying anything, or whether I was merely fulfilling my function of occupying space on page eight, I cannot recall. The fact is, nevertheless, that this man, an old grad, differs with me. I will quote some of his comments . . . most of which have little to do with the subject I was discussing, but which, I am sure, will be of interest (if nothing else) to you:

"I was sorry to see what you had to say in regard to drinking: 'There's nothing wrong with drinking.' That is a statement which will not be endorsed by the best thinking men of any college or university in America. It will be regretted by many of the alumni who read it, as already there has been much comment regarding it. Let me say to you Mr. Frechette that notwithstanding, according to the latest statistics, 69% of the cigarettes today are bought by women and a large majority of those who smoke will take a drink when offered". (Italics are mine).

" . . . Now it is humiliating to read in the college paper of your endorsement. . . . Of course people who read this article naturally will think that you approve it because you indulge yourself, and I do not doubt in the least that if you do, you have full control of yourself. At the same time, you must remember that many entirely lose control of themselves after the first drink. . . ."

" . . . Have you read what Mr. J. Edgar Hoover has to say regarding such things. . . . He asserts that loosened morals and discipline in the home are allowing delinquency to spread, particularly among teen-aged girls." (!)

" . . . I recently received a letter from a professor in a college who stated that many good people were falling in line for the immodest dress and such evils as I have mentioned . . ."

"I would like to see you detract what you have so boldly said for we who love old William and Mary want to see its students stand for right for if we are to survive, Good must triumph over evil."

He also mentions, as an afterthought that "many women should read the 22 chapter of Deuteronomy, fifth verse."

This gentleman has brought in a good many points which I cannot quite bring myself to apply to the girls in this school. Not being a woman-hater, I can see no more evil in them than I can in the fellows who smoke, drink, attend classes, and date with them.

Moreover, I will not detract my statement regarding drinking. There is as much harm in drinking *per se* as there is in driving an automobile . . . and a great deal more injury results from automobile driving than from drinking. I merely will say to the gentleman that I believe that what I said in regards to drinking is true; Christ drank wine at the last Supper . . . it isn't what you do, it's the way you do it!

Point System Equalizes Activities

Believe it or not, every year after graduation a few William and Mary students have to take time out to recuperate from their four years of college! This condition is balanced by the large majority of each class who graduate after playing through college, studying a little, dating a little, generally having a "good time", but feeling just a little frustrated at not having more "say" in things. Of course, the hard workers had a good time, too, up to a certain point; but after a while they found that they had taken on too many activities and people were counting on them, and there simply was not anything to do but to struggle through, keeping always before them the thought of graduation and rest.

So we have two problems—the overworked student, and the student whose potentialities do not have a chance to be expressed. The solution to both is the point system, now passed by the Student Assembly and on its way to approval by the General Cooperative Committee. Actually, it is one of the most important moves ever made on the campus, making William and Mary a school where the development of a well-rounded personality is not only possible, but almost inevitable.

The Inter-Club-Council, which has worked long and hard on the system, and will have to work harder still, will need each student's help in getting it worked into the campus life. An upheaval will result. Clubs will be left without officers and students will be deprived of some of the honors they have worked for—all of it is necessary and all of it must be accepted with a good grace, if the extremely essential point system is to get off to a good start.

N. L. E.

New Year Causes One To Reflect On Past

By HARRY STINSON

Another year has been added to the second oldest college in the United States. It hardly seems proper to allow such an event to pass without comment. Anyway, there would appear to be some compelling force that drives a columnist to devote his first editorial of the new year toward casting reflections on what has gone before and building new ideals and hopes for the future. This procedure is not peculiar to column writers, but seems to be characteristic of all mankind. Man pauses once during the year to see just what he has done with the world in which he lives, if anything. Man usually finds that he has made such a mess of things that he does not dwell long on the business of looking backward.

The manner in which man prepares himself for the new year is a factor contributing to his utter collapse before the cruel hand of fate. In all of his glory and splendor, which he certainly did not earn for any outstanding achievements the year before, he lays down firm vows and prayerful hopes for the next 365 days (the leap year does not disturb him at all, because he knows that he cannot break but so much havoc in one day).

When man plans for the new and brighter year he thinks he is profiting from the mistakes he so frequently made in the old year. He honestly believes that in the coming year mankind will reach new heights, and will make the world a better place to live in. Actually what he is doing is reminding himself of the stupid mistakes he made and then devising bigger and better ways for making the same mistakes in a more stupid manner. This is what man terms progress. Herein rests man's claims to superiority over the other animals.

Having laid the mental ground work for the flowering of mankind, man devotes the rest of the year to the task of providing more ingenious methods by which he can break his vows and shatter all of his hopes. During the year he will take a mad delight in improvising means for making it harder for his fellow man to live. He will contrive until he has evolved a more gentlemanly method for being more unscrupulous. He will effect systems whereby he can be more dishonest in a more dignified way. Since there are some who are aware of man's peculiar means of advancement, they train themselves to distrust, to fear and to lose faith in their fellow men. So then mankind finds itself in the embarrassing position where most of its membership is using its powers to ruin mankind and the remaining few employing their resources and gray matter toward preventing the others from ruining mankind. Even a quick survey of this situation indicates that man may not be the smartest of all animals, but he is certainly the most misdirected and confused.

Man is indeed fortunate in being blessed with his remarkable brain power. Man, according to man, has erected the very highest cultures and the best way of life. It is at New Year's that man thinks about the state of man and his world. We know

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Choral Groups Take Cheer To Hospitals

(Although it is the policy of The FLAT HAT to have strictly student writing, we feel that the tribute to and the criticism of the choral groups by Dr. Harrison deserves publication. Dr. Harrison is the chairman of the entertainment committee of the Camp and Hospital Committee of the James City County Red Cross Chapter and was responsible for arranging the trips to the hospitals.)

By CHARLES T. HARRISON

For the College Choir, the brilliant concert in Phi Beta Kappa Hall on Sunday, December 16, was only the first of a series. On the two evenings following, it sang the Christmas season in for the ill and wounded veterans at Camp Patrick Henry and Camp Peary.

The two hospital concerts were arranged by the local chapter of the American Red Cross. Both were unforgettable Christmas observances.

On Monday evening, December 17, the Choir sang at Patrick Henry, giving substantially the program of the College concert. Since the men at the Patrick Henry hospital have recently come in from overseas and are mostly bed patients, a relatively small crowd of them got to the Red Cross recreation hall. But neither the Director, Mr. Fehr, nor the singers seemed aware that the audience was small. From the precision of the candlelight Processional, through the almost incredibly warm and accurate Hallelujah Chorus, till the Choir had marched from the hall, the singing was in top form. The audience sat enchanted.

Nor was that the end. There was a general demand from soldiers and nurses that the men in the wards be given an opportunity to hear the music. So Mr. Fehr led his choristers through a mile of cold catwalks, pausing at ward entrances, serenading the bedridden. A good many of the patients had by that time attached themselves to the Choir. One was a boy in a wheel chair, pushed along by his buddy; another was a negro with a fine bass voice.

The next evening, the Choir went in Navy busses through a thick-falling snow to Camp Peary. Again it repeated the same program, this time to a large audience in a crowded hall. And again it serenaded the wards, including the prison ward, after the recreation hall recital. Again it brought something of warmth and beauty and friendliness to hundreds of boys who were facing a cheerless Christmas.

Mr. Fehr and his Choir responded to the rather arduous request of the Red Cross with the utmost generosity of spirit. But, in choral singing, it is the letter no less than the spirit which giveth life. The technical accomplishment of the group is astounding. There can not be many choruses in the country which rival the William and Mary Choir in sheer quality of performance. In balance, in ensemble, in clarity of phrasing, in firmness of tempo, in dynamic sensitiveness—all without loss of exuberance—the Choir demonstrates the effect of brilliant training and laborious practice. The sixteenth century William Byrd, greatest of English composers, wrote, "There is not any music of instruments whatsoever comparable to that which is made of voices, where the voices are good, and the same well sorted and ordered." All members of the College have reason to be proud of their Choir.

one man who did just that and decided to blow his brains out, but thinking for a moment he elected to wait a few more years. He had enough faith in man to know that man would use his genius and come forth with a more efficient and convenient way of eliminating himself on New Year's eve.